

1 CLAIMS

I claim:

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In combination:

5 an elevated box truss extending over a roadway and having opposite ends secured to
upstanding supports;

said box truss being comprised of a plurality of box truss sections secured to one
another in an end-to-end relationship;

10 at least one of said box truss sections adapted to have a messaging sign mounted
therein;

15 all of said box truss sections, except the said one box truss section, comprising
horizontally spaced-apart first and second upper tubes and horizontally spaced-
apart first and second lower tubes, first truss members interconnecting said first
and second upper tubes, second truss members interconnecting said first and
second lower tube members, third truss members interconnecting said second
upper tube and said second lower tube, and fourth truss members
interconnecting said first upper tube and said first lower tube;

20 said one box truss section comprising horizontally spaced-apart first and second upper
tubes, horizontally spaced-apart first and second lower tubes, first truss members
interconnecting said first and second upper tubes, second truss members
interconnecting said first and second lower tubes, and third truss members
25 interconnecting said second upper tube and said second lower tube;

1 a messaging sign mounted in said one box truss section;
said messaging sign having a front side, a back side, an upper end, a lower end, and
opposite sides;
said messaging sign being positioned between said first upper tube, said first lower
5 tube, said first truss members, said second truss members, and said third truss
members so that oncoming motorists may observe messages on said front side
thereof.

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10 The combination of claim 1 wherein said messaging sign comprises a Variable
Messaging Sign.

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15 The combination of claim 1 wherein said messaging sign comprises a Digital
Messaging Sign.

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The combination of claim 1 wherein said messaging sign comprises a Variable
Messaging Sign and a Digital Messaging Sign.

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20 The combination of claim 1 wherein said messaging sign is selectively
horizontally adjustably mounted on said one box truss section to enable said one box
truss section to accommodate signs having varying depths.

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The combination of claim 1 wherein a plurality of horizontally spaced-apart first supports are secured to and extend between said first and second upper tubes and wherein a plurality of horizontally spaced-apart second supports are secured to and extend between said first and second lower tubes, and wherein said sign is selectively longitudinally adjustably secured to said first and second supports.

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The combination of claim 6 wherein sign supports are selectively adjustably secured to said first and second supports; said sign supports being secured to said messaging sign.

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The combination of claim 7 wherein said sign supports are secured to said back side of said messaging sign.

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The combination of claim 1 wherein said one truss section has a walkway mounted therein which is positioned at said back side of said sign.

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The combination of claim 1 wherein said truss sections have a walkway provided therein.

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The combination of claim 1 wherein said messaging sign has a majority of its depth, between said front and said back side, positioned within said one truss section.

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In combination with a messaging sign having a front side, a back side, an upper end, a lower end, and opposite ends, comprising:

an elevated box truss extending over a roadway and having opposite ends secured to upstanding supports;

said box truss being comprised of a plurality of box truss sections secured to one another in an end-to-end relationship;

at least one of said box truss sections adapted to have the messaging sign mounted thereon;

all of said box truss sections, except said one box truss section, comprising horizontally spaced-apart first and second upper tubes and horizontally spaced-apart first and second lower tubes, first truss members interconnecting said first and second upper tubes, second truss members interconnecting said first and second lower tube members; third truss members interconnecting said second upper tube and said second lower tube, and fourth truss members interconnecting said first upper tube and said first lower tube;

said one box truss section comprising horizontally spaced-apart first and second upper tubes, horizontally spaced-apart first and second lower tubes, first truss members interconnecting said first and second upper tubes, second truss members interconnecting said first and second lower tubes, and third truss members interconnecting said second upper tube and said second lower tube;

1 said messaging sign adapted to be positioned between said first upper tube, said first
lower tube, said first truss members, said second truss members, and said third
truss members so that oncoming motorists may observe messages on said front
side thereof.

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The combination of claim 12 wherein the messaging sign comprises a Variable
Messaging Sign.

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The combination of claim 12 wherein the messaging sign comprises a Digital
Messaging Sign.

15 15.
The combination of claim 12 wherein the messaging sign comprises a Variable
Messaging Sign and a Digital Messaging Sign.

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The combination of claim 12 wherein the messaging sign is selectively
horizontally adjustably mounted on said one box truss section to enable said one box
truss section to accommodate signs having varying depths.

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The combination of claim 12 wherein a plurality of horizontally spaced-apart first
supports are secured to and extend between said first and second upper tubes and
wherein a plurality of horizontally spaced-apart second supports are secured to and

1 extend between said first and second lower tubes, and wherein said sign is selectively
longitudinally adjustably secured to said first and second supports.

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5 The combination of claim 17 wherein sign supports are selectively adjustably
secured to said first and second supports; said sign supports being secured to said
messaging sign.

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10 The combination of claim 18 wherein said sign supports are secured to said back
side of said messaging sign.

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The combination of claim 12 wherein said one truss section has a walkway
mounted therein which is positioned at said back side of the sign.

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15 The combination of claim 12 wherein said truss sections have a walkway
provided therein.

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20 The combination of claim 12 wherein the messaging sign has a majority of its
depth, between the front side and back side thereof, positioned within the said one box
truss section.